

ARANA GULCH WATERSHED GENERAL INVESTIGATIONS

PROJECT LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: This Ecosystem Restoration study was authorized by the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee Resolution dated June 25, 1999. The study area is located in Santa Cruz County, California, adjacent to the Port of Santa Cruz. The study area includes 2,200 acres of coastal watershed and seven miles of stream. The study will involve a collaborative watershed planning effort to restore passage for endangered anadromous fish, restore native riparian vegetation, improve water quality, improve connectivity of the upper habitat, and reduce erosion and sedimentation throughout the watershed. Additionally, the beneficial use of sediment from the stream and harbor is being considered as part of a Regional Sediment Management initiative.

TOTAL FUNDING:

TOTAL COST:	\$2,198,000
FEDERAL COST:	\$1,198,000
NON-FEDERAL COST:	\$1,000,000
 TOTAL FEDERAL COST THROUGH FY 2007:	 \$217,000
FY 2008 BUDGET:	0
COST TO COMPLETE:	\$981,000

FY07 ACCOMPLISHMENTS: Completion of Project Management Plan. If sponsor is authorized to sign a Feasibility Cost Sharing Agreement (FCSA), it may be possible to initiate Feasibility in FY 07.

FY08 ACCOMPLISHMENTS: If FCSA signed in FY07, and if funded is received for FY08, will initiate feasibility study.

ISSUES AND OTHER INFORMATION: The 905(b) Analysis was approved by Headquarters on November 1, 2003. Extensive communications and negotiations with the sponsor regarding the scope and estimated cost are ongoing and the FCSA is anticipated to be signed in September 2007.

CONGRESSIONAL INTEREST: 15th District, Rep. Mike Honda; 17th District, Rep. Sam Farr

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